

ACTION PLAN 2020-2025

CREATING AND MAINTAINING 25,000 JOBS IN QUÉBEC BY 2035¹

PRIORITY	NO.	MEASURE	DESCRIPTION	PLANNED ACTION (\$M)	OBJECTIVE
PROVIDE MODERN, COMPETITIVE PORT FACILITIES ALONG THE ST. LAWRENCE	1	Establish a container terminal in Contrecoeur	Begin Phase 1 of the Contrecoeur container terminal project, in cooperation with the Montréal Port Authority	55.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase and accelerate investments to modernize maritime transport facilities and equipment to improve the sustainability and competitiveness of Québec's maritime transport system
	2	Support maritime infrastructure projects to promote market development and economic recovery	Launch maritime infrastructure projects to develop high-potential markets and contribute to Québec's rapid economic recovery, limiting the negative impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic	145.0	
	3	Implement a new maritime infrastructure investment program	Implement a four-year program to financially support investments in facilities and equipment for the maritime transport of people and freight while promoting multimodal transport links	100.0	
ENSURE EFFICIENT NAVIGATION THAT RESPECTS ECOSYSTEMS ALONG THE ST. LAWRENCE	4	Establish a smart economic corridor	Progressively implement intelligent, consistent, innovative transportation systems to improve the efficiency and safety of maritime transport while reducing its environmental footprint	199.1 ²	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure digital coverage that supports the development of intelligent transportation systems • Implement a standardized, reliable, sustainable data architecture to support smart technology in the maritime sector • Develop intelligent systems for the conservation of ecosystems, shipping, port and industrial port zone activities, and to support logistics and intermodality, in order to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decrease average transit times of shipping vessels navigating the St. Lawrence • Increase the tonnage of freight shipped on the St. Lawrence and those transshipped in ports
	5	Implement Phase 2 of the Maritime Information System	Develop Phase 2 of the Marine Information System with Innovation maritime to cover Québec's entire port system and enhance analyses and content offered on an ongoing basis	0.9	
	6	Mitigate the impacts of shipping operations on ecosystems	Develop a research program, in cooperation with the Réseau Québec Maritime, to support the economic and sustainable development Québec's maritime sector	5.0	

1. This objective was set based on estimates previously made by the Institut de la statistique du Québec with the Québec input-output model.

2. This amount includes contributions of 175 million dollars from private and public partners.

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ENSURE EFFICIENT NAVIGATION THAT RESPECTS ECOSYSTEMS ALONG THE ST. LAWRENCE (CONTINUED)	7	Ensure continued operation of CEGRIM (centre of expertise in marine incident risk management)	Protect inhabitants and ecosystems by better managing the risk of hazardous materials spills in the St. Lawrence, under the responsibility of CEGRIM	20.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enhance Québec's preparedness to roll out a rapid and effective response in the event of a marine incident such as an oil spill
	8	Enhance and protect ecosystems	Continue protecting and restoring the St. Lawrence and its tributaries through the St. Lawrence Action Fund and its two programs (St. Lawrence Marine Biodiversity Program and Maritime Tributaries Program)	7.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the annual number of restoration projects for the St. Lawrence ecosystems and tributaries Increase the number of sites accessible to the public along the St. Lawrence
PROVIDE PROMISING AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITIES ALONG THE ST. LAWRENCE	9	Develop industrial port zones and logistical hubs	Support the development of industrial port zones while taking into consideration realities on the ground, development, and investment opportunities, as well as supporting the establishment of at least one logistical hub	166.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that all planned industrial port zones are operational by 2030 Increase private investments in industrial port zones
	10	Modernize Québec's shipbuilding industry	Provide all Québec's shipyards with the means to complete projects within a more flexible, accessible financing structure	200.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase the number of shipbuilding projects in Québec
	11	Develop marine biotechnology	Support the development of Québec's marine biotechnology sector, the commercialization of Québec products derived from marine biomass, the optimization of marine biomass extraction processes, and the development of a raw material supply chain	7.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase the use of Québec fishery coproducts in the development of value-added products Increase the number of businesses and products, and increase private investment in the marine biotechnology sector
	12	Promote access to the St. Lawrence through maritime public transit	Develop maritime public transit by implementing a structured and integrated river shuttle network in Greater Montréal that allows residents to commute to work or school, while also providing opportunities for recreational and other uses, as well as improving general access to the St. Lawrence	21.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase the use of short-sea shipping for the transportation of people in Greater Montréal